

February 7, 1958

Dear Friends.

The Executive Committee of the International Union of Students takes pleasure in inviting your organization to be represented at the Vth Congress of the IUS to be held in Peking, China, from the 4th to the 13th September 1958.

The Executive Committee of the IUS has approved the following tentative agenda for the Congress:

1. Development of the international student movement, and the contribution of the International Union of Students and student organizations to the defence of the interests of students and the promotion of international student cooperation.

Report of the Executive Committee of the IUS

2. Work of the Following Commissions:

- a) The role of students in the maintenance of peace.
- b) Activities of students against colonialism and the participation of students of newly independent countries in national construction and the elimination of the legacies of colonialism.
- c) The activities of students for reform of education, the defence of student rights and the improvement of living and study conditions.
- d) Student activities in the field of press and publicity.
- e) Student activities in the field of culture, faculty, travel and sport.

3. Adoption of Recommendations of the Commission on the 1st Point of the Agenda and Commissions (a - e).
4. Ratification of Affiliation of New Members of the IUS.
5. Report of the Finance Committee.
6. Election of the Executive Committee and Finances Committee.
7. Any Other Business.

According to the respective decision of the Executive Committee your organization is entitled to be represented at the Congress by 1 observer.

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The participation of your organization is especially important because the Vth Congress of IUS is taking place in Asia and you will have possibilities to contact your colleagues from Asian and African countries and to discuss common student problems of this region. As you can see from the tentative agenda of the Congress, there are a number of points which reflect the particular interested students of this region and to which you can contribute your experiences.

As we are informed by the All China Students' Federation, participants of the Congress will have opportunities to get acquainted with the development of education and student life in China.

We enclose the resolution of the IUS Executive Committee meeting on the convocation of the Vth Congress which will give you additional information on preparatory work, the Solidarity Fund, etc. We should like to receive in advance any proposals and suggestions from your organization as to better preparations of this important event.

All participants are required to pay a registration fee of \$5 (or equivalent) and a further \$2 (or equivalent) per day to cover expenses of stay in China.

Preliminary notice of intention to participate should reach IUS Headquarters by May 15th latest and official confirmation with full details by July 15th latest.

We would be pleased to clarify any points which you may raise in connection with this letter of invitation and hope to hear from you in the nearest future.

We remain,  
sincerely yours,

/s/ (stamped)  
Jiri Pelikan  
President

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS (Seal)

Enclosure